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RESPONSE

In re application of:

HU *et al.*

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For: **Nucleic Acid Ladders**

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Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In reply to the non-final Office Action dated November 20, 2000 (Paper No. 6),
Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.